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SACRAMENTO MAN SENTENCED TO 8 ½ YEARS IN FEDERAL PRISON FOR RECEIVING MATERIAL DEPICTING THE SEXUAL EXPLOITATION OF CHILDREN

SACRAMENTO--United States Attorney McGregor W. Scott announced today that SIQUIERO MATEO OLANDER RIOS, 26, of Sacramento, was sentenced today by United States District Judge Garland E. Burrell, Jr. to 8 ½ years in federal prison. RIOS had pleaded guilty to receiving material depicting the sexual exploitation of minors on November 3, 2006.

This case is the product of a joint investigation by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the California State University Sacramento Police Department, the Sacramento Valley High Tech Crimes Task Force, and the Woodland Police Department.

The investigation in this case was undertaken as part of Project Safe Childhood (PSC). PSC is a United States Department of Justice initiative established to increase federal prosecutions of violent sexual predators of children, and to reduce the number of Internet crimes against children including child pornography trafficking. As a part of PSC, the United States Attorney's Office has teamed with state and local agencies and organizations to increase law enforcement presence on the Internet, and to educate the public about safe Internet use, thereby reducing the risk that children might fall prey to online sexual predators. For additional information on the PSC initiative, please go to www.projectsafchildhood.gov or call the United States Attorney's Office for the Eastern District of California and ask to speak with the PSC

coordinator.

According to Assistant United States Attorney Carolyn K. Delaney, who prosecuted the case, in sentencing the defendant Judge Burrell said that the sentence was a reflection of the harm caused by the defendant, and others like him, who create a market for images of the sexual abuse of children.

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